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Director of Training

8 October 1954

External and Language Training Division

Selection of CIA Representatives to Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia and Harvard University Advanced Management Course

- 1. Notices calling for training requests to be filed with the Office of Training prior to 1 November 1954 have been distributed for each of the above courses. The Harvard applications must be submitted to the Harvard Business School by 1 December 1954 and the Armed Forces Staff College should be notified about the name of our delegate by the same date, especially if we wish to request them to accept more than one man.
- 2. I have asked the various Training Liaison Officers to advise me as soon as they receive word that any candidate from their office will apply, in order that the necessary papers may be prepared for the selection panel without delays frequently suffered by routine requests.
- 3. Agency Notice 99 March 1954 provides that applications for these two schools along with others shall be submitted to the CIA Career Service Board. At the time this notice was issued it was thought that the selection of candidates for the senior schools was of sufficient importance to deserve the attention of the CIA Career Service Board, but an unexpectedly large volume of applications for the National War College demonstrated the need for preliminary screening of the applications by a subcommittee of the Board. Furthermore, apart from the senior war colleges it is apparent that the much less senior level of the three services intelligence schools does not warrant the attention of the full Board.
- Armed Forces Staff College and Harvard University Advanced Management must be made during the month of November. I recommend that this matter be taken before the new CIA Career Service Council with the suggestion that a subcommittee under the chairmanship of the Director of Training or his appointee from the Office of Training should be empowered to appraise the applications and prepare recommendations for the Career Service Council. These two courses meet twice a year and a further selection will have to be made prior to 15 May 1955. Candidates for the five senior war colleges are only chosen once a year.

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